

Natural Gas Innovator 2002 Awards

The National Energy Technology Laboratory's Strategic Center for Natural Gas (SCNG) sponsors comprehensive science and technology development in the areas of natural gas supply, infrastructure, and utilization, as guided by national strategic planning and policy analysis. SCNG evaluates success as measurable direct economic or environmental benefit to the public or industry, projected future economic or environmental benefit of a technology or policy, or the ability of a technology or policy to improve domestic energy security.

SCNG is initiating a set of awards to recognize successful leaders and innovators in the natural gas arena. Nominations are sought to recognize individuals or organizations that have provided significant contributions in the following areas:

- **Exploration and Production** – Technologies that have significantly increased domestic supply, have yielded significant improvement in the efficiency of natural gas exploration and production processes, or have significantly improved the environmental performance of natural gas exploration and production processes. Examples could be assessment technologies, onshore/offshore drilling technologies or operational safety technologies.
- **Transmission, Distribution and Storage** – Technologies that enhance pipeline security, longevity, and reliability, including inspection, repair, control or monitoring technologies; gathering and extraction technologies; state-of-the-art advanced meter reading, mobile data, telecommunications, and other metering technologies. Also included are new non-traditional storage technologies, such as rock storage or salt dome storage, that improve natural gas storage deliverability.
- **End-Use** – Technologies that have increased safety, efficiency, and longevity at all scales of natural gas end-use, including electric power generation technologies such as turbines, fuel cells, advanced reciprocating engines, and distributed generation. Also included are advanced industrial and building technologies, such as heat pumps, chillers, combustion systems, and combined heat and power systems.
- **Policy or Regulatory Advocacy** – Advocates or champions who have provided positive benefits to the consumer and natural gas industry through regulatory reform or adoption of new policies.

Candidates may be self-nominated or nominated by another party. Recipients may be from industry, academia, or the government. The attached nomination form must be submitted no later than **March 31, 2002**. Award recipients will be recognized at an awards luncheon at *Natural Gas Technology – Investment in a Healthy U.S. Energy Future*, in Houston, TX on May 15, 2002.

Natural Gas Innovator 2002 Awards Nomination Form

Nominee Information:

Name of Individual or Organization

Address

City

State

Zip

Phone

E-mail

Nominator Information:

Name

Organization

Phone

E-mail

Nomination Category: (Check only one)

Please note that individuals or organizations are eligible for consideration for multiple category awards; however, a separate application must be completed and submitted for each nomination.

F Exploration and Production

F Transmission, Distribution, and Storage

F End-Use

F Policy or Regulatory Advocacy

Summary of Achievements: (No more than 500 words)

Please use a separate piece of paper to describe your achievements in 500 words or less.

Send completed submissions by March 31, 2002 to:

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